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USE OF COXIELLA BACTERIA TO TREAT AUTOIMMUNE

DISEASE

Examiner

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2002, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on December 19, 2002. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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The instant application is a continuation of application SN 09/142,597, filed 03/05/1999, now pending, which is a 371 of PCT/AU97/00161, filed 03/14/1997 and claims foreign priority to application, PN 8703, filed 03/14/1996 in Australia.

Please add, at page 18, line 13, the following subheading: